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THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Wednesday, the 5th May 1954.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Government Estate, Mount Road, at eleven of the clock, Mr. Speaker (THE HON. SRI J. SIVASHANMUGAM PILLAI) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member Sri Madhavan Nambiar wanted me to take up his question (starred question No. 501) to-morrow. I shall, therefore, take up starred question No. 501 to-morrow. Next question, 503 . . ."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" I rise on a point of order, Sir. Last time when we met for the Budget Session, I gave notice of a series of Short Notice questions on matters of burning importance. They were meant to be answered within a short period and now we are assembled after the lapse of a month and a half and many political changes have taken place in our State in the meantime. I wish to know from the Government why answers to those questions were not made ready and answered on the floor of the House at least this day."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I wish to know from the hon. Member whether this is a point of order. It is not a point of order."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" May be, Sir, it is a point of information . . ."

MR. SPEAKER :—" In that case the hon. Member should have given me notice when he was in my Chamber, and I would have asked the Hon. Minister to be ready with an answer . . ."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" But, Sir, I was not sure of the papers laid on the table of the House. After coming to my seat, I saw that those questions were not on the agenda and hence I have raised this point of information . . ."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Whatever it is, it is not a point of order. I shall now pass on to the next question . . . (The hon. Member Sri Vinayakam was seen standing in his seat and trying to say something.) I shall ask the Hon. Minister to answer it at the proper time."